

U.S. Application No.: 10/758,665
AMENDMENT A AND PROPOSED DRAWINGS CHANGES

Attorney Docket No.: 2057.016

REMARKS

Review and reconsideration of the Office Action of July 2, 2004, is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the indication that Claims 1-19 are free of prior art.

Claim 10 has been canceled.

Claim 20 has been added. Support for the change can be found in Figures 3 and 4 and paragraph [0055] of the specification as originally filed.

New Figures 7a, 7b, 8, 9, and 10 have been added to overcome the drawings objections.

The specification has been amended to include the information of new Figures 7a, 7b, 8, 9, and 10.

In addition, paragraph [0055] has been amended by replacing the term "cover" with the term "bumper". Support for the change can be found in Figures 3 and 4. Figures 3 and 4 show that element 370 is a bumper in which the cables make contact to stop vibration.

No new matter has been added to the claims, drawings, or specification.

Office Action

Turning now to the Office Action in greater detail, the paragraphing of the Examiner is adopted.

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Abstract (Formalities)

The Examiner objects to the abstract of the disclosure: "Said" and "means" need to be deleted because it is improper to include legal phraseology in the abstract.

In response, Applicant is submitting herewith a new Abstract. Entry of the new Abstract is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Drawings (Formalities)

The Examiner objects to the drawings under 37 CFR 1.83(a). The drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims.

The position of the Examiner can be found on page 2 of the Office Action.

In response, Applicant has added new Figures 7a, 7b, 8, 9, and 10. Approval of the new figures is respectfully requested.

New Figures 7a and 7b show a leaf spring used as a biasing means as claimed in Claim 4.

New Figure 8 shows a coil spring used as a biasing means as claimed in Claim 4.

New Figure 9 shows an air spring used as a biasing means as claimed in Claim 4.

New figure 10 shows a side view of the cable guide means 190 of the present invention according to Claim 9. The figure 9 shows that the depth of the first opening is greater than the depth of the second opening to avoid that the cables touch each other.

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New Figure 7b shows the adjusting rod 172 according to Claim 6.

In addition, Claim 10 has been canceled.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections

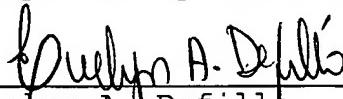
The Examiner rejects Claims 1-19 under the judicially created Doctrine of Double Patenting over Claims 1-14 of U.S. Patent No. 6,708,684 (Chattin) since the claims, if allowed, would improperly extend the "right to exclude" already granted in the patent.

The position of the Examiner can be found on pages 3-4 of the Office Action.

In response, Applicant files herewith a terminal disclaimer. The rejection is thus rendered moot.

Favorable consideration and early issuance of the Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested. Should further issues remain prior to allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

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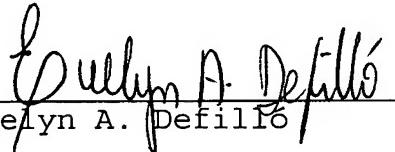
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE

I hereby certify that the foregoing AMENDMENT A for U.S. Application No. 10/758,665 filed January 15, 2004, was deposited in first class U.S. mail, with sufficient postage, addressed: Attn: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450, on October 1, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required at any time during the prosecution of this application without specific authorization, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0877.



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IN THE DRAWINGS

Please add new Figures 6a, 6b, 7, 8, 9, and 10.

Please replace original Figure 3 with the attached Figure 3.